

CLAIMS:**1. A system comprising:**

a playlist generator that includes:

a selector that is configured to select:

a plurality of items from a collection of items of a user, and

one or more new-items from one or more other sources of items;

and

a mixer that is configured to generate a playlist from the plurality of items

and one or more new-items,

wherein

the selector is configured to select the plurality of items and one or more new-items based on preferences of the user, and

the collection of items of the user does not include the one or more new-items.

2. The system of claim 1, further including

the collection of items of the user.

3. The system of claim 1, further including

a rendering device that is configured to render the items identified in the playlist.

4. The system of claim 1, further including

a purchase module that is configured to facilitate a selective purchase of each of the one or more new-items.

5. The system of claim 1, wherein

the selector includes a memory that is configured to store identifications of previously selected new-items, and

the one or more new-items exclude the previously selected new-items, based on the identifications.

6. The system of claim 1, further including

a recommender module that is configured to create of subset of source items from the one or more other sources of items, based on one or more general preferences of the

user,

wherein

the selector selects the one or more new-items from the subset of source items.

7. The system of claim 1, wherein

the one or more other sources of items are accessible via an Internet access.

8. The system of claim 1, wherein

the mixer is configured to allow the user to control a relative proportion of the new-items relative to the plurality of items from the collection of items.

9. The system of claim 1, wherein

the selector is further configured to select the one or more new-items based on a popularity of each new-item of the one or more new-items.

10. The system of claim 1, wherein

the system is further configured to facilitate selectively adding each new-item of the one or more new-items to the collection of items.

11. The system of claim 11, further including

a memory that is configured to store ancillary information associated with each new-item that is selectively added to the collection of items, to facilitate subsequent selections.

12. A method of generating a playlist, comprising:

selecting a plurality of items from a collection of items of a user, based on preferences of the user,

selecting one or more new-items from one or more other sources of items, based on preferences of the user, and

combining the plurality of items and the one or more new-items, to provide therefrom the playlist,

wherein

the one or more new-items are exclusive of items in the collection of items of the user.

13. The method of claim 12, further including
rendering the items of the playlist.
14. The method of claim 12, further including
enabling a selective purchase of each of the one or more new-items.
15. The method of claim 12, further including
storing identifications of previously selected new-items, and
wherein
the one or more new-items are exclusive of the previously selected new-items.
16. The method of claim 12, further including
creating a subset of source-items from the other sources of items, based on one or
more general preferences of the user, and
wherein
selecting the one or more new-items from the one or more other sources of items
includes
selecting the one or more new-items from the subset of source-items.
17. The method of claim 12, further including
determining a preferred proportion of new-items relative to the plurality of items,
and
wherein
combining the plurality of items and the one or more new-items to provide the
playlist is based on the preferred proportion.
18. The method of claim 12, wherein
selecting the one or more new-items is further based on a popularity of each new-
item of the one or more new-items.
19. The method of claim 12, further including
selectively adding each new-item of the one or more new-items to the collection of items.

- 20. The method of claim 19, further including**
 storing ancillary information corresponding to each new-item that is selectively
added to the collection of items to facilitate future selections.